WHAT IS CLAIMED IS

- A lighting device comprising:
 - a hollow body for holding a battery cell;
- a head connected to the body and including a lens having a plurality of light deflecting portions;

a plurality of light sources mounted within the head for energization by said battery cell to emit light through the lens, with light from the individual light sources being merged together by the light deflecting portions; and

an electrical switch provided on the body for switching on and off the light sources;

wherein the light sources comprise at least first and second groups of different colours, and the head is rotatable relative to the light sources for generally aligning the light deflecting lens portions with the light sources of either one group selectively for merging the light of the corresponding colour from that group.

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2. The lighting device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the switch has a first ON state for switching on the first group of light sources and a second ON state for switching on the second group of light sources.

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3. The lighting device as claimed in claim 2, wherein the switch includes a third ON state for switching on the second group of light sources to flash intermittently

under the control of a flashing circuit that is provided in the body.

- 4. The lighting device as claimed in claim 3, wherein the second group of light sources is of a red colour.
 - 5. The lighting device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the light sources of the two groups are located in an alternating annular arrangement.

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6. The lighting device as claimed in claim 5, wherein the light deflecting lens portions are positioned in an annular arrangement that shares a common central axis with the light source arrangement.

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- 7. The lighting device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the light sources are divided into two different colour groups, each of the same number of light sources, said number being also the number of the light deflecting lens portions.
 - 8. The lighting device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the light sources are fixed to the body, and the head is rotatable relative to the body.

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9. The lighting device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the light sources comprise light emitting diodes.

10. The lighting device as claimed in claim 1, being a flashlight, wherein the body comprises a barrel having a front end to which the head is connected by screw-threads that permit said relative rotation of the head.